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LETTER DATED 20 APRIL 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF AZERBAIJAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

In its letter, which was circulated as a document of the Security Council (S/25510), the Permanent Representative of Armenia to the United Nations referred to Robert Kotcharian as the "President of Nagorny Karabakh's Defence Committee".

I should like to draw your attention to the fact that Mr. Kotcharian is a deputy to the highest legislative body of Armenia - the Supreme Council - from electoral district No. 99.

The fact that a member of the Armenian Parliament is the head of the armed forces of the so-called "Nagorny Karabakh Republic" is further evidence of Armenia's direct participation, through members of its Parliament, in the aggression being perpetrated against Azerbaijan.

This is also borne out by the statement made by Mr. Kotcharian himself, which appeared as the annex to the aforementioned letter, in which he provides information about the order he issued to the so-called "Nagorny Karabakh Republic" armed forces - which in fact are an expeditionary corps of the Armenian armed forces and which has occupied Nagorny Karabakh of the Azerbaijani Republic - "to undertake all necessary measures to ensure the defence of the people and borders of Nagorny Karabakh", which, in actual fact and as is well known, was the invasion by Armenian troops of the Kelbajar district of Azerbaijan.

This and other facts demonstrating Armenia's direct participation, which we reported in our letter to you (S/25634), in spite of Armenia's attempts to confuse the international community and hide the truth from it, are incontrovertible evidence of Armenia's aggression against Azerbaijan.

I request that you and the members of the Security Council bear these facts in mind when you consider the situation and the report prepared by the Secretary-General in pursuance of your statement of 6 April 1993 (S/25539), and take appropriate measures under the Charter to halt Armenia's aggression against Azerbaijan and impose appropriate sanctions against Armenia.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Hassan A. HASSANOV
Permanent Representative